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IMAGE-SENSING APPARATUS

By: Yoshio HAGIHARA and Kenji TAKADA

Attorney Docket No. 15162/02250

Dear Sir:

Enclosed for filing are the following papers relating to an IMAGE-SENSING APPARATUS, Yoshio HAGIHARA and Kenji TAKADA, inventors:

- (1)Specification;
- Executed Declaration and Power of Attorney; (2)
- Drawings (23 sheets); (3)
- (4)Certified Copies of Priority Documents;
- (5)Information Disclosure Statement and PTO Form-1449, with copy of cited references;

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- (6) Transmittal of PrintEFS Patent Application Bibliographic Data;
- (7) Assignment of the invention to Minolta Co., Ltd. with Recordation Form Cover Sheet;
- (8) Check in the amount of \$1,578.00 to cover the filing fee of the application; and
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TRANSMITTAL OF PrintEFS PATENT APPLICATION

BIBLIOGRAPHIC DATA

Submitted herewith is bibliographic data (2 pages) for the above-identified application, in the PrintEFS Version 1.0.1 program format.

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